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# FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6611 NOTE PREPARED: Jan 22, 2004
BILL NUMBER: SB 149 BILL AMENDED: Jan 15, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Borrowing for Local Public Works.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Kenley BILL STATUS: As Passed Senate

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill allows a political subdivision to borrow money to finance a public work project costing not more than \$2,000,000 by issuing a note to a financial institution.

Effective Date: July 1, 2004.

### **Explanation of State Expenditures:**

# **Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:** Currently, political subdivisions may issue bonds to finance public works projects but may not issue negotiable notes. This bill would allow municipalities to finance public work projects costing no more than \$2 M by executing a negotiable note with a financial institution in Indiana.

Municipalities may be able to save expenses related to holding a bond sale if one is not required under this bill. Holding a bond sale usually requires certain fixed expenditures, such as having a third party financial advisor involved in the issuing process, which could keep bond issues for such small projects from being cost effective.

The bill also includes a remonstrance process that allows tax payers to petition the negotiable note.

#### **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

### **State Agencies Affected:**

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**Local Agencies Affected:** Political Subdivisions.

# **Information Sources:**

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